Especially Remember.....

..... the Sofa groups getting underway for the new session. Pray that as people meet together there would be a real desire to explore and grow in faith together. Pray too for new people who have joined groups recently. Pray that they might feel comfortable and able to contribute to discussions and enjoy fellowship.

Pray for the schools in our area. Pray that these schools will be a place where children feel safe and secure. Pray especially for children who struggle with learning or find it difficult to fit in socially. Give thanks for the good relationship the chaplaincy team have with the teachers and the pupils. Pray for good conversations about faith. Pray that as the children and teachers hear God's Word, both in the classroom and the staff room, they might want to know God and Jesus in a personal way.

Pray for the frail and elderly who are finding it difficult to get out and about. Pray that church family, friends and neighbours will be sensitive to their needs and encourage them to still feel a part of church and community. Pray especially for those who are unable to remain in their own homes. Pray that all will sense God's love and care for them wherever they are.

Pray for the people who come to work in our community – in shops, offices, banks, the library, doctors' surgeries, care homes.... Pray that they may have a real care for the people they serve. Pray too that they have a sense of belonging. Pray that, as Christians, we may share something of God's love and hope as we interact with those we come into contact with.

Give thanks that Catherine has enjoyed time at home which has included the UFM conference as well as time away on retreat. Pray as she returns to Spain she would feel refreshed and invigorated and that team relationships would be stable and that the work with the ladies would be fruitful.

Pray for God's healing hand upon Adrian as he completes his course of treatment. Pray too that he may know God's love and faithfulness as he continues to seek God's guidance for his future.

Produced jointly by Cathcart Trinity Church of Scotland (SC033802) and Cathcart United Free Church (SC001573)



Cathcart Trinity & Cathcart UF Prayer Letter

Autumn 18



The law of the Lord is perfect; it gives new strength. The commands of the Lord are trustworthy, giving wisdom to those who lack it.

Psalm 19:7

National and World Events

Pray for the many countries around the world -Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan, many African nations where conflict continues to rage and there seems to be no hope of imminent peace.

Pray for the thousands of families caught up in the conflicts, suffering loss of family members and a lack of safe homes, basic amenities and medical care, living in fear and poverty. Pray that they may seek and find God's love and comfort and strength day by day.

Pray for the children who have known nothing in their lives except this terrible situation. Pray for their safety and protection physically and emotionally. Pray that they will not be scarred long term by the horrors they have witnessed.

Give thanks for the many aid organisations who work to provide aid and support. Pray for their workers safety as they enter dangerous territory and risk their own lives. Pray that the aid reaches those who most need it.

Pray that the leaders of those countries may truly seek resolution and conciliation to restore peace to their land.

Pray for the people of Somalia, suffering severe drought causing disease and malnutrition. Pray for parts of Nepal and India suffering the impact of severe flooding. Pray for the right aid and support to rebuild homes and communities.

Local Events

Give thanks for "Showstoppers" Holiday Club. Pray for all the young folk who came along. Pray for them as they enter a new year of school or further studies that God's word would continue to grow in their hearts and they would have further opportunities to meet with other young Christians.

Give thanks for all the children and young folk who heard of God's love for them through the many Holiday Clubs and Summer Missions that took place over the summer months.

Remember Moments Café as it continues to welcome new people. Give thanks that the café is a place of acceptance and safety for people with dementia. Give thanks for the kindness and compassion of the volunteers.

Pray too for Messy Church as that important work continues. Give thanks for the families who come along and for all those involved in the organisation and leading. Pray that God will speak through the many different activities and that whole families will grow in faith.

Give thanks for the Talking Jesus course held over the summer and pray for wisdom as how best to further use this resource.

Give thanks for the many people from our community who enjoyed coming along to the Board Games evenings. Pray for creativity as the Community Team pray through different ways of engaging with those around us with no church connection.

Give thanks for all those who lead or help within all the organisations across the churches and pray that as all the activities start up again each one may feel refreshed and inspired as a new session begins.

Pray for God's blessing on all the events and activities that will take place in the coming months. Pray that God will be honoured in all we do.

Dates for your diary:

Prayer Meeting – Wednesday 12th September 7.30 – 8.30, Prayer Breakfast– Sat 29th September 8.30 – 10.00 am Prayer Meeting – Wednesday 10th October 7.30 – 8.30 Prayer Breakfast – Saturday 27th October 8.30 – 10.00

- all in the UF Church.

Church Family

Pray for all our ministers –Alasdair, Wilma, John and Derrick. Give thanks for their leadership, for the pastoral care they give, for their willingness to serve in so many ways.

Pray that God will continue to guide, equip and inspire them as they lead our congregations.

Pray too for Angus as he takes up his new role as Session Clerk in Trinity. Give thanks for the qualities and the gifts God has given him and for Angus's willingness to serve God in this way. Pray that he will know God's strength, wisdom and guidance in the days ahead. Pray too for lain as he steps down from this role and give thanks for his many years of service as Session Clerk.

Pray that Cara and Andrew will continue to be guided by God in all their activities and conversations. Pray that the young people who come along will be encouraged and challenged to think carefully about their relationship with Jesus. Remember Andrew as his role within Radiate changes as he has now been accepted as a ministry student by the UF Church. Pray too for Andrew & Helen Louise awaiting the arrival of their little one in October.

Pray for both congregations as they continue to seek God's vision for the way ahead. Pray that God will reveal the different ways He wishes us to build up His church and reach out to the community. Give thanks for the service that took place in August to renew our commitment to our local covenant partnership and pray that there will continue to be good working together across the 3 churches in Cathcart. Give thanks for the many opportunities we have had to work and worship together.

Give thanks for all the gifts and talents that God has given to individuals within the congregations and for the many ways in which they are used in worship, in building up faith, in reaching out to others. Pray for discernment and creativity to use all these gifts in new and exciting ways as we continue to seek God in all we do.

Remember those within our congregations who carry a great sense of loss and pray that they will know God's continuing comfort and peace. Pray too for all those undergoing treatment, waiting for tests to be carried out or to hear the results of tests. Pray for calm and a deep sense of trust in the one who holds them in the palm of His hand.